

REMARKS


Reconsideration of the application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is requested.

Claim 1 has been cancelled. Accordingly, Examiner's rejection of Claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable Otten, U.S. Patent 4,902,834, in view of Lancaster, U.S. Patent 5,272,226 is now moot.

Claims 2-4 have been added to more completely set forth all aspects of the Applicant's invention.

In view of the above amendments, allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully requested,


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On December 17, 2001, the Applicant did, in fact, file its Response together with a Request for Extension to said Official Action. A copy of said response is attached hereto for your review and your convenience. Applicant also encloses a copy of the postcard showing receipt by the Patent Office on December 17, 2001.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to draw on Deposit Account No. 501844 in the event any fees are due.

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that this application be reinstated and the same is respectfully requested.

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